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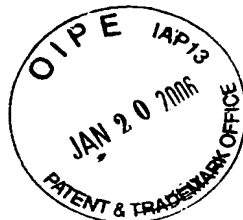
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Michihiro Kaneko, et al.

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Filed: April 23, 2001

For: DISK DRIVE



Group Art Unit: 2651

Examiner: Wong, Kin C.

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Receipt of the Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability for this application are gratefully acknowledged.

An Information Disclosure Statement was filed December 7, 2004. Attached are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement and of the receipt postcard, showing that the Information Disclosure Statement and the documents listed on its Form PTO 1449 were received by the Patent and Trademark Office on December 7, 2004.

The undersigned firm has no record of receipt of an acknowledgement of consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement or the documents submitted with it. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that such acknowledgement be provided.


To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency in fees, including

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extension of time fees, or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents cited in the Chinese Office Action dated October 15, 2004 and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits a translation of portions of an official action by a foreign examiner in which the reference was cited. The relevance to the pending U.S. patent application is that the reference was cited in a foreign patent application on the same subject matter. However, no independent analysis of the reference, the accuracy of the statement of the foreign examiner or the claims of the foreign application under the laws of that country or the United States relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made, the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the foreign examiner's comments submitted herewith.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

Submitted herewith is the Information Disclosure Statement fee of \$180.00.

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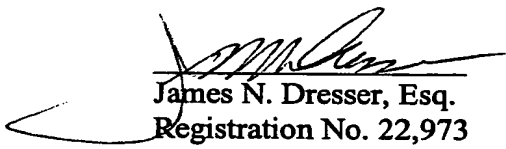
I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which occurred not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.